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SUBJECT: Soviet Hi-tech

There has been a large number of studies issued regarding the difficulties entailed in U.S. forces operating and maintaining high technology military equipment. We are interested in whether our adversaries are encountering the same difficulties. Can you advise me of any reports which deal in some detail with Soviet problems in this regard, now that their weapons systems are no longer "cheap junk"

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